

## PROFESSOR LOUIE & THE CROWMATIX

Professor Louie's upstate ensemble is an old school Americana template that jams out timeless rock, country, blues and New Orleans influenced originals. - Village Voice

This GRAMMY-nominated Woodstock, NY band plays 150 shows every year in the US and worldwide. Led by recording engineer and producer, **Aaron "Professor Louie" Hurwitz** on vocals, keyboards and accordion, The Crowmatix repertoire is steeped in rock 'n' roll, blues, Gospel and American roots music, and features a compelling collection of original and traditional tunes. The band's latest release, *Music From Hurley Mountain* (Woodstock Records, 2016), showcases music written by Louie and his songwriting partner, vocalist, pianist and percussionist, **Miss Marie** (*Rick Danko*). Drummer **Gary Burke** (*Bob Dylan, Joe Jackson*), guitarist/vocalist **John Platania** (*Van Morrison*) and bassist/vocalist **Frank Campbell** (*Steve Forbert, Levon Helm*) complete the talented and versatile quintet.

Professor Louie & The Crowmatix have grown into a true legacy of Woodstock band. Their new material is soulful and their performance last night (at Sugarloaf Performing Arts Center) was the highlight of the evening.

## - Stan Beinstein, radio executive (WPDH, WDST) & concert promoter

Professor Louie & The Crowmatix began as the studio backing band for Aaron Professor Louie's musical productions with the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame Inductees, *The Band*. Louie produced *Jericho* (1993), The Band's first album of new music in 16 years, and their final group recordings, *High on the Hog* and *Jubilation*. The Crowmatix also worked on numerous solo recording projects and live performances with Rick Danko, Garth Hudson and Levon Helm. "Working with Rick, Garth and Levon for 15 years was a great honor – and a lot of fun – and we're proud of the music we created together," says Louie. "Their love of crafting musical stories based on American history had a strong influence on us, and I like to think we're continuing that tradition in The Crowmatix recordings."

All the best parts of great music are on display with Professor Louie & The Crowmatix. It's clear these folks are driven to match the all time greats.

## - Cash Box Magazine

The Crowmatix have released 12 recordings: *Whispering Pines* (2009) was nominated for five GRAMMYs. Professor Louie & The Crowmatix were inducted into Southern

Canadian Blues Hall of Fame and International Blues Hall of Fame, NY chapter.

Louie received the 2015 Robert H. Chambers Award for Excellence in the Traditional Arts from Common Ground on the Hill. **professorlouie.com woodstockrecords.com**